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Entitled:

the office of the patent application of:

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FILE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND COMPUTER-

READABLE STORAGE MEDIUM STORING A PROGRAM FOR

OPERATING A COMPUTER AS A FILE PROCESSING

APPARATUS

and including attachments as noted below:

Declaration, Abstract \boxtimes

28 pages of specification and claims (including 20 numbered claims), and

sheets of accompanying drawing/s. 13

 \boxtimes Record & return the attached assignment to the undersigned.

Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C 119 based on the following foreign applications, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application:

Application Number 2000-36221

Country JAPAN

Day/Month/Year Filed

15 February 2000

, respectively.

Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line -- This is a of PCT application , filed

, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application .--

Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C 120/365 based on the following prior PCT applications designating the U.S.,

the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application:

Application Number

Day/Month/Year Filed

This application is based on the following prior provisional application(s):

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Application No.

Filing Date

respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application, and priority is hereby claimed therefrom.

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line: --This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. , the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in

this application .--

This application is entitled to "Small entity" status. "Small entity" statement attached.

The Examiner's attention is directed to the prior art cited in the parent application by applicant and/or Examiner for the reasons stated therein.

Preliminary amendment to claims (attached hereto), to be entered before calculation of the fee below.

冈 Also attached: Information Disclosure Statement : Non-Publication Request; Other:

FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY HEREWITH CANCELED

Basic Filing Fee 710.00 Total effective claims - 20 (at least 20) = 0 \$ 20 x \$ 18.00 0.00 Independent claims 1 - 3 (at least 3) = 0 \$ 0.00 x\$ 80.00 If any proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$270.00 (ignore improper) 0.00 **SUBTOTAL**

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\$ 710.00 -\$(0.00)**SECOND SUBTOTAL** 710.00

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Any future submission requiring an extension of time is hereby stated to include a petition for such time extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this

sheet is attached.

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